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Plan now for 2006!

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by: Stewart Huckaby

Balance Sheet--As of June, 2005

Current Assets

Checking/Savings	
FTB—Money Market	53,344.04
First Texas Bank (FTB)	
Youth Activities Fund	1,564.38
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Coin's for A's	886.77
First Texas Bank (FTB)-other	<u>1,103.66</u>
Total First Texas Bank (FTB)	<u>6,262.39</u>
Total Checking/Savings	59,606.43
Accounts Receivable	
Lost Mail Deposit	<u>51.00</u>
Total Accounts Receivable	51.00
Other Current Assets	
CD—Lone Star Capital Bank	50,000.00
CD—Life Memberships-CLNB	<u>30,000.00</u>
Total Other Current Assets	<u>80,000.00</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>139,657.43</u>
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Equity	
Fund Balance	145,286.77
Opening Bal Equity	0.00
Net Income	<u>-5,629.34</u>
Total Equity	<u>139,657.43</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

139,657.43

A Few Words from the Editor

By Benny Bolin, NLG

Are you an active collector or an amasser?

Thoughts on the state of our hobby

One of the major concerns I have that really hit home with the recent sale of a friend's collection of fractional currency is the recent (last 5 years or so) loss of a very important part of the future of our hobby. Our hobby is in part dependent on a lot of different things, supply, demand, collectors, a favorable economy, etc. But the future of our hobby is totally dependent on just one thing; preservation of our history. I ask each of you—what have you done to preserve even a small part of our hobby? Even though it has been going on for years, it really never hit me until I realized many of our older, established collectors have gone. It hit me that we, as a hobby, are in a very precarious position. Loss of active collectors. What is an active collector? Is it one that makes all the auctions and shows and puts together a great collection while tacitly sitting by and letting all the knowledge and history pass you by? Is it someone whose collection is near completion and when it is complete sits on their laurels and look at it every six months? This question was answered most clearly for me in St. Louis. A friend and I were talking and he said "collecting is a verb—an action verb!" Suddenly it was clear. An active collector is one who sees the importance of amassing a collection which may be just good or great, but also goes the extra mile to do research, to preserve that part of our hobby which can be so easily lost and shares their love and passion of our hobby with others. Without preserving our history, we are truly just amassers. If we let our hobby degrade to that level, it will be lost in the future. I encourage each of you to work hard to become an active collector, not just an active amasser.

To that end, I once again ask that everyone send me an email or drop me a note telling me how the TNA News can serve you better. What are we doing good and what are we doing that you would prefer us to stop and go in a different direction. Also, what would it take to get you to write an original article for the News. In the last newsletter, it was brought to my attention that I had left out my email address so here it is—sincbb@sbeglobal.net

Let me hear from you!!!!

If you want to submit anything for the NEWS, please do so by,

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SUBMITTED BY HAL CHERRY

July and August, 2005

Welcome to new Regular Members, R-6632, R-6637 through R-6640, R-6649 through R-6653, A-6641, J-6633 through J-6636, J-6642 through J-6648 and J-6654 through J-6666. No objections were received and these applicants became active members on July 1, 2005.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on September 1, 2005:

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R-3580 – Franky Hill
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R-6229 – Adrian Crane
R-6522 – Ed Rothberg
R-6584 –Barry Tatum
R-6288 – John Schuch

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VIP LEADERS FOR 2005 ARE: Jim Bevill and Paul Garner

MEMBERSHIP AGE RESTRICTIONS REMOVED: At the December 13, 2003 Board Meeting, the By-Laws were changed to remove any minimum age restrictions from both the Junior Member and Life Member categories. The previous minimum age had been nine years.

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THE TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION TO HOLD TWO SHOWS IN 2006

PATRICK J CURRAN, GOVERNOR DISTRICT X

From its inception, the Texas Numismatic Association (TNA) held coin show every year. For many years the location of the annual show rotated around the state. In the 1990s, it was decided to hold the annual show in one location. Thus for several years the city of Houston was the host city and then the show moved to Fort Worth for the past four years. And that will again be the location of the annual show in May of 2006.

Texas is a big state and has members all over it. At the annual conference and show in Fort Worth in 2004, the TNA Board decided that in addition to the Annual Show, it would hold a fall show each year in one of the outlying cities hosted by a local coin club. The International Coin Club of El Paso offered to host the first rotating show in 2006 and the clubs in the Beaumont area are planning to host a show in the fall of 2007.

El Paso was host to the annual TNA Show in 1986 and again in 1989. In 2006, the show will be held at the El Maida Shrine Hall, 6331 Alabama Avenue, El Paso, Texas 79904, Friday through Sunday, Oct 27-29. The hall is centrally located and only three miles from the airport. Besides a great location, the hall is large, well lit and the El Paso police provide excellent security. The City of El Paso as well as the Chamber of Commerce are looking forward to welcoming the TNA back to the city of "Si and Sun".

El Paso is an ideal location for this show. The city has only one coin show a year, hosted by the International Coin Club which occurs in February. The nearest other shows are in Albuquerque, 262 miles north or Tucson almost 300 miles west. In the last 5 years there has been a huge increase in affluent retirees moving into this Southern New Mexico-West Texas area.

The show will be limited to 107 tables at a cost of \$200.00 a table. For information about the show contact: Dr Patrick Curran, PO Box 839 Mesilla, NM 88046 - 505 496 3152 or patrick2193@earthlink.net

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THE ALAMO'S NUMISMATIC COLLECTION

By Hal Cherry

I was able to spend an afternoon in April at the Alamo reviewing most of their various numismatic collections. The Alamo is owned by the State of Texas and is administered under an agreement by the Daughters of The



Republic of Texas who also maintain a library on the grounds of the Alamo. There are actually two separate numismatic collections at the Alamo, one consisting of items donated to the Alamo and owned by the State of Texas and the other of items donated to the DRT and/or the DRT Library and owned by the DRT. None of the collections are on public display.

The DRT Librarian, Elaine Davis, arranged for my examination of the items owned by the DRT which are located at the library. While the collection is not on public display, it is available for examination at the DRT Library. The largest part of the DRT collection consists of Texas related paper money mainly bequeathed by one individual in the early 1950's. There are approximately 75 notes from the Republic of Texas era. There are examples of both Government of Texas and Republic of Texas notes along with treasury warrants, some star notes, Naval appropriation notes, and consolidated fund notes. Also included are some private issue notes, including a dozen Kelsey H. Douglass notes and other items.

From the Civil War era, there are approximately 60 treasury warrants, 20 county and city notes, and 10 private issue notes that were all issued in Texas. Additional notes include approximately 250 Confederate notes, 20 state notes, 20 obsolete notes, 20 Colonial notes and 40 pieces of fractional currency.

In addition, there are more than 150 pieces of foreign paper money, mainly Mexican, some Confederate and Texas bonds, and around 40 coins, mainly foreign. The coins are low to mid-grade and many of them have glue on

one side, apparently as a result of being affixed to a display at some point. The Texas related paper money was very comprehensive and contained multiples of many items. One of the best things about the Texas related notes is, with a couple of exceptions, half of them would grade extra fine and the other half almost uncirculated. The large majority of the non-Texas U.S. notes would grade XF or better while the foreign notes range from fair to uncirculated. Stored separately are some commemorative coins, medals and medallions that I did not examine due to lack of time.

The Alamo coins owned by the state were made available for inspection by Bruce Winders, the Alamo Historian. This collection is not generally made available to the public and I was the first outside person to examine it in nine years. The only notes were six Republic of Texas bills that were in AU condition, but had been hole cancelled.

There are approximately 750 to 1,000 coins in this Alamo collection. Around 200 are U.S. coins and the remainder are foreign coins, most of which I did not have time to examine. The coins are primarily low to mid-grade and based on the dates and envelopes they are stored in, most appear to have been donated in the first half of the twentieth century. One of the nicer coins is a Maximilian peso that regrettably had a small space cleaned on the field with a museum curator's identification number entered. Some interesting items included a medal presented to William P. Zuber to whom the "line in the sand" Alamo legend is attributed and a German medal presented to a Naval submarine officer who participated in the sinking of the liner Lusitania in World War I. There are also some coins and medals donated by English Lord Halifax during a 1937 visit.

The U.S. coins consist mainly of a mixture of common date large cents, Indian head pennies, two cents, three cents, and five cents coins with approximately 10 silver coins but no silver dollars or gold coins. The foreign coins are from at least 20 different countries, primarily Europe and, of course, Mexico. In addition, there are several medals and tokens related to the Alamo as well as other San Antonio Missions and historical sites.

During the time I had available to review these collections, I found no rarities. From a historical standpoint, the only items related to the history of the Alamo are some medals and tokens. There are no items related to any historical Texas figure with the exception of some of the Republic of Texas warrants payable to Juan Seguin, Reuben Potter, John C. Hays, and Thomas McKinney. I am always interested in seeing numismatic items and I appreciated the opportunity to examine the numismatic collection at the Alamo and again thank Elaine and Bruce for their time and hospitality.

TNA Secretary Hal Cherry is also a past president and current board member of the Texas Old Missions and Forts Restoration Association and Editor of their quarterly journal, El Campanario. Information about this organization can be obtained from Hal at his address shown elsewhere in the TNA News.

THE 1861 CONFEDERATE CENT

THE SECOND RE-STRIKE

By: Kurt R. Hartzog

The original dies for the confederate cent were made by a die sinker from Philadelphia, Mr. Robert Lovett Jr. After producing the dies Mr. Lovett feared that he would be arrested by the United States Government for giving aid and assistance to the enemy and so he never delivered the dies or any coins made from them, but hid them in his cellar. Some time later, presumably after the War Between the States, the dies were purchased by Capt. John W. Haseltine who made some re-strikes from these dies. According to Whitman in the Official Red Book, Capt. Haseltine made 55 copper restrikes, 7 gold, and 12 in silver, all proof condition. Of course the original copies of the 1861 Confederate Cent command an astronomical price. An original copper-nickel cent has a price of \$34,000 and it would surely go higher if one came up at auction. A copper restrike made by Capt. Haseltine has a price of \$ 7,500.00. In about 1960-1961 the dies again surfaced, pitted with rust and numerous cancellation cuts and gashes, this time in the hands of Robert Bashlow. Mr. Bashlow made transfer dies of the originals and made the second re-strikes of the Confederate 1861 Cent. These restrikes were made in bronze, silver and, goldene. There were 5000 coins produced in silver and 20,000 produced in bronze. I don't know the number of goldene coins struck. The second restrike is quite obvious as they have cut cancellations and pitting from rust. The coins are Picfots, double thickness,



with a bronze coin weighing 6.8 grams; a small copper cent weighs in at only 3.11 grams. Many years ago I obtained a Confederate one cent coin second restrike from a now defunct coin shop in LA. According to the coin dealer this was made from the original coin dies made by Mr. Lovett. Recently I have decided to verify the story and I got a lot of blank stares and few answers. I took the coin to various coin shows and different dealers gave me different stories none which matched what I had been previously told. I wrote to several numismatic magazines and again a dead end until finally Alan Herbert the "Answer Man" from "Numismatic News", was able to give me the name of a dealer that might be able to help me. The owner

of "World Exonumia", Rich Hartzog, (no relationship that we know of) verified the above events of the second restrikes. He also has some of the second restrike coins in stock and available for sale: Bronze \$30.00; Silver \$ 105.00 and Goldene \$55.00. Rich can be reached at: P.O. Box 4143, Rockford, IL 61110-0643. The second restrike copies are very nice uncirculated even when you take into account the damage from the rusting and cancellation marks. The center portrait is quite nice with only two rust bumps and the legend is easily readable. The reverse has more cancellation marks but again the design is well preserved. It is my understanding that these dies were completely broken with the second restrike and are no longer usable. I do not fully agree with the Whitman catalog that these second restrikes have "little numismatic value". I do think they have a place in the numismatic field. These coins are a direct link to the original CSA coins as they are made from the original cancelled Lovett dies. The second restrikes were carefully done in double thickness so as not to confuse anyone that these were original 1861 strikes. The average person will probably never see, much less purchase either an original 1861 CSA cent or the first restrikes done by Capt. Haseltine. The second restrikes were done in 1960-1961 are affordable and can be a great addition to your USA Coin Collection. In addition the second restrikes have their own special history and uniqueness. My special thanks to Alan Herbert - The Answer Man, and to Rich Hartzog with their help in putting this puzzle together. It was fun doing this bit of detective work. One story I was told by a dealer at a coin show was that these coins were made in Mexico for tourists. Go figure ????

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The Seth E. Ward Tokens

There are three denominations of authentic S.E. Ward, Ft. Laramie, D.T. tokens: 10c, 25c and 50c. There are also replicas of the 50c token, which are marked on the reverse "REPLICA JAPAN". The three authentic tokens are numbered in Cunningham's "Military Tokens of the United States, Vol. I" as DT70, DT80a & DT80b. Following is a description of the 50c token:
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copper-round-33mm diameter - (Cunningham book value \$300) (it is noted that a substantial hoard of the S.E. Ward tokens surfaced in 1994, and since then the values have been speculative). In addition, the token was listed as Curto #18 in his "Indian and Post Trader Tokens", 1951 by the ANA.



Prologue

The coinage of the American frontier included trade tokens from many types of merchants. Among those were the tokens of Indian traders, Post traders and sutlers. Generally they date between 1860 and 1918.

The Sutler

In the 1800s, the line between an Indian trader, sutler, post trader and banker was very blurred. Often a man would start out as an Indian trader, and work his way into a spot in a sutler's store, and into the position of sutler himself.

A sutler is defined as a peddler who sells goods and food to an army. Sutlers were generally found at forts or in wagons following troops during movements in the field during wartime. Sutlers were the place where troops might buy writing supplies, and sundries during the American Civil War. Sutlers were allowed by congress from 1820 to July 1, 1867. The sutler was replaced by the Post Trader as prescribed by Congress from 1870 to 1890. Generally, it was required to have a license from the federal government to be an Indian trader, sutler or Post Trader.

Fort Laramie

The spot now known as Ft. Laramie, was founded as a private fur trading post in 1834 by William Sublette and Robert Campbell. The adobe structures they had built were named Ft. John. Early fur traders of the surrounding area all called the spot Fort Laramie and that name stuck. By 1844 the United States government purchased Ft. Laramie in order to protect the California-Oregon Trail, and Bozeman Trail. Together Fort Laramie and Fort Bridger further west provided a safe line of defense against hostile Indian attacks.

Trade Tokens

Trade tokens were generally metal coin-like devices, meant to be used in lieu of cash. Often used as trade stimulators, or accounting aids. The northern states had used "civil war tokens" in lieu of coinage, during the 1861-65 Civil War, and many of the civil war sutlers used similar tokens as a means of advertisements and credit accounting during the war. This perhaps led to a general acceptance of trade tokens in the private sector as the war ended.

Seth E. Ward

Seth E. Ward was a sutler from 1857 through 1867 (or 1863 depending on who you believe), and post trader from 1867 through 1871 (or 1865 through 1867 depending on which reference you go by). He retired in 1871.

Seth Ward came to Ft. Lupton, Colorado in 1836 where he was employed as an Indian trader. In the early 1840s he joined William Guerrier to form a trading post 9 miles above Ft. Laramie on the south bank of the North Platte River. In the early 1850s, Mr. Guerrier was killed and Ward went into a partnership with Fitzhugh. Fitzhugh and Ward succeeded Tutt and Daugherty to become the second sutlers at Fort Laramie. Later, Mr. William Bulock was partners with S.E. Ward from 1857 through 1871.



Seth Ward was said to be the Horatio Alger of the fur trade. S. E. Ward was born on March 14, 1820 in Virginia and died in 1903. At age fourteen he left home for Indiana, and thence to St. Louis. In old St. Louis, young Ward worked along the river, and was hired on by the Lupton Fur Company. By age 18 he was well acquainted with the South Platte River, and worked his way into Wyoming and Colorado. He was becoming established as a trapper and trader, and made his headquarters at Bent's Fort on the Arkansas, where he trapped for Bent and St. Vrain. He also freighted along the Santa Fe Trail between Bent's Fort and Kansas City. One interesting thing about this token is the way it looks. It was struck in a

thin metal, being about the thickness of a credit card; the reverse showing the incuse reverse of the obverse lettering. Almost like half of a "shellcard" type token. I am at a loss to explain why this method of making the token was done, but perhaps it was a cost saving measure. Being so thin & fragile, it is a wonder any have survived the years since they were used.

By 1845 Ward partnered with William Le Guerrier, and financial backing from Robert Campbell, to set up a trading post at Sandy Point, nine miles west of Laramie on the south side of the river. In 1857 Ward was granted a government issued license to trade with the Sioux, Cheyenne, Arapahoe, & other tribes who visited his trading posts within the upper boundaries of the Upper Platte Agency. His employees at the posts included B. B. Mills, William Le Guerrier, Antoine Janis, Joseph Emond, and Charles Guru. The following is the text of the Sutler License granted to Ward:

To Whom it May Concern:

Know ye that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, fidelity and abilities of Seth E. Ward I do hereby constitute and appoint him Sutler to Fort Laramie, Nebraska Territory in the service of the United States, with all the privileges and immunities appertaining to said situation. He has therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duties of Sutler, in conformity with the rules established for the government the Army of the States; and he is to be subject to such laws and regulations having reference to Sutlers as now are or, hereafter may be, established. This warrant to continue in force; and to be valid to the fourth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty....unless sooner revoked by competent authority. Given under my hand at the city of Washington this thirtieth day of April, 1857.

Secretary of War John B. Floyd

Ward was the second sutler at Ft. Laramie, when he bought out Dougherty and Tutt on May 4, 1857. After the end of the first year, his partner Le Guerrier died in an accident. William Bullock took his place and became the storekeeper. In addition to the sutler store, Ward also built the Laramie toll bridge, and contracted with the government to provide hay for the fort. Ward's goods all were transported to Ft. Laramie from St. Louis. The goods moved from St. Louis to Nebraska City on steamer or barge, and were then transported to Laramie by wagon train. His wagon trains consisted of between 18 and 24 wagons in the 1860s.

To give an idea of the types of goods that Ward dealt in, his company sold ponies for \$15 worth of goods, oxen for \$70 per yoke, buffalo calf robes for \$3.50 each and beaver skins for \$1 per pound. As post trader and sutler, he had dealings with not only the military and civilians, but with the Indians in the area for many years. It was sometimes a dicey situation to deal with the Indians. Many treaties were made and broken by one side or the other.

The Indians and Warfare

The Plains Indians were fierce warriors. They were a formidable enemy, they neither gave nor expected quarter. They almost always scalped and desecrated dead soldiers or white settlers, cutting up bodies in brutal ways.

and leaving them displayed in revolting poses. They were a far cry from the modern cinematic portrayal of noble savages, living like peaceful sages on the plains in full harmony with nature! Indeed, their culture was as hard for us to comprehend as the WWII Japanese kamikazes and radical Islamic airplane hijackers. The Plains Indians was the antithesis of everything the whites stood for. They had no concept of private ownership of land. The Indians warfare was ruthless in the extreme. A Denver man stumbled upon the aftermath of an Indian raid: "About 100 yards from the desolated ranch [we] discovered the body of the murdered woman and her two dead children, one of which was a little girl of four years and the other an infant. The woman had been stabbed in several places and scalped, and the body bore evidence of having been violated. The two children had their throats cut, their heads nearly severed from their bodies."

The whites answered in warfare kind for kind. Scalping and other horrors were common among the white man's revenge on Indian atrocities. After the "battle of Sand Creek" in Colorado in which John Chivington led 900 horsemen against Chief Black Kettle's group of 600 Cheyenne and Arapahoe, one witness noted thus: "When I looked up toward the chief's lodge, I saw that Black Kettle had a large American flag up on a long lodgepole as a signal to the troops that the camp was friendly...." Another officer noted: "In going over the battle-ground...I did not see a body of a man, woman, or child but what was scalped, and in many instances, their bodies were mutilated in a most horrible manner --men, women, and children's privates cut out...I heard one man say that he had cut a woman's private parts out, and had them for exhibition on a stick..." This was the frontier in which Seth Ward ran his business.

Seth E. Ward Retires

Mr. Ward had developed a large cattle herd by 1871, his herd of 400 in 1868 grew to 4,000 in 1871. He sold beef to the Indian agent, who had to have beef for the government issue to the Indians. One single transaction brought him \$20,700. When Ward retired in 1871 he sold his local cattle for \$12,000 and he returned to his old home in Westport, Missouri where he raised Durhams on his large 485 acre ranch. Ward was quite active in real estate and local civic affairs. He was a trustee for William Jewel College in Liberty, Missouri. He was also a member of the board of regents and president of the Mastin Bank of Kansas City for 8 years. Later Missouri's "Ward Parkway" was named for him. He died in Missouri in 1903.

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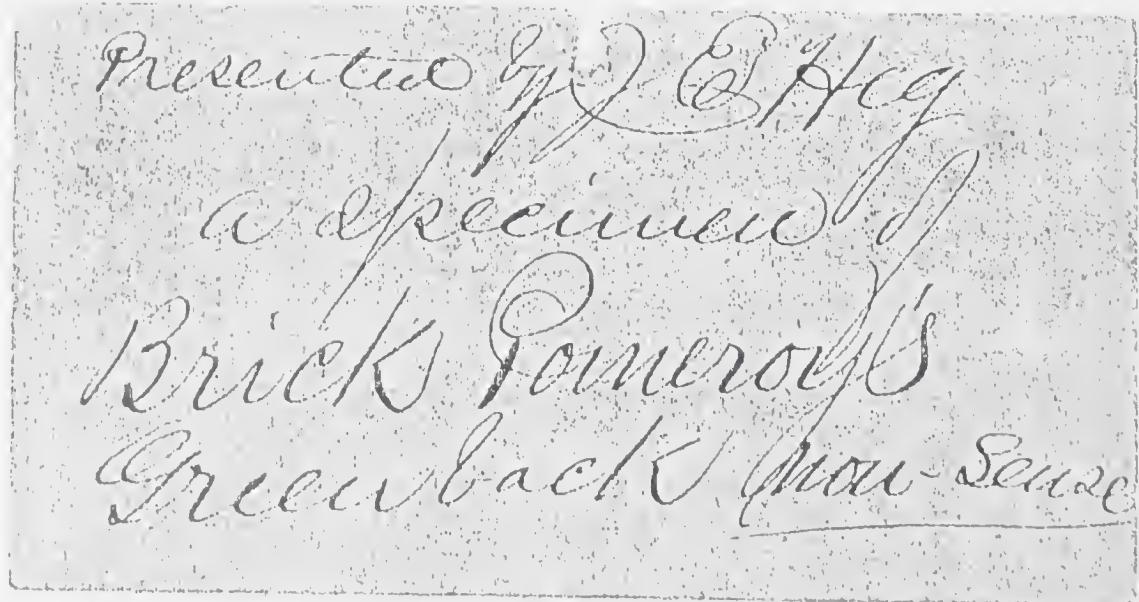
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Pro-Greenback/Anti-National Bank Note Political Note

By: Frank Clark

This approximate 3.25 inch by 1.75 inch political note on green card stock hearkens back to the day when different factions of our political process would champion one type of currency over another. This political note is probably from the 1880's. The statement "Bounce the National Banker" and the picturing of a \$1 Legal makes it clear where this political note stands. It is against the National Bank Notes and for United States Notes. This particular example has a hold probably from being mounted at one time, while the back also has a penned notation from a disbeliever that ends with the word, "non-sense."



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The Declaration of Independence



John Trumbull's famous painting of the signing of the Declaration of Independence

As we celebrate the independence of our great nation, the document that is at the forefront of that movement is the declaration of independence. Many of us know the basics of the document, but how much do you really know about it and the signers? Some fun facts I pulled follow:

1. The document has 1321 words in it.
2. It is reported that the word “*unalienable*” was used for the very first time in the documentation.
3. The Declaration of Independence can be divided into four parts:
 - a. An introduction
 - b. A theory of good government and individual rights
 - c. A list of 21 grievances against King George III
 - d. An unqualified assertion of sovereignty by the USA.
4. There were between 150-200 copies printed and there are currently only 25 original copies in existence
5. These were printed by the official printer for the second Continental Congress, John Dunlap.
6. The document was presented to the Continental Congress on July 1, 1776 and ratified on July 4, 1776
7. Independence for the colonies was officially granted by England on September 3, 1783 when the Treaty of Paris was signed.
8. The document was drafted by a committee formed on June 11, 1776 made up of John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Robert Livingston and Roger Sherman.
9. The Continental Congress asked for a handwritten copy to be done for their signatures. The assistant secretary of the Congress, Timothy Matlack did this.
10. Most of the delegates signed it on August 2, 1776.

11. There were 56 signers from the thirteen colonies and they signed in geographic order of their colonies from north to south.
12. The average age of the signers was 45. There was one in his 20's; 19 in their 30's; 18 in their 40's; 11 in their 50's; 6 in their 60's & one was 70.
13. Thomas Lynch of South Carolina was the youngest at 27 and Benjamin Franklin was the oldest at 70.
14. Twenty four were lawyers or judges; Eighteen were business owners; fourteen were farmers; five were doctors; and a shipbuilder, a minister and Franklin.
15. Seventeen served in the Continental Army; Five were captured and tortured by the British; twelve had their homes burned; two had sons die in the war and another had two sons captured; nine fought and were wounded in the war.
16. Nine were immigrants.
17. Some were related:
 - a. Two were brothers
 - b. Two were cousins
 - c. One was an orphan.
18. After the war many went on to other pursuits:
 - a. Thirteen became governors
 - b. Eighteen became state legislators
 - c. Sixteen became judges
 - d. Seven became US Congressmen
 - e. Six became US Senators
 - f. Two eventually became Chief Justices of the US Supreme Court
 - g. Three became Vice-Presidents
 - h. Two became Presidents and two had sons who became Presidents.

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Walter Ostroniecki Jr.	4,215	Brian E. Fanton	
Michael S. Turino	3,775	Anthony Tuinoris	3,737



Kansas

The fourth quarter to be released in 2005 commemorates the State of Kansas. On January 29, 1861, the "Sunflower State" became the 34th state to be admitted into the Union. Kansas marks the 34th coin to be issued in the United States Mint's popular 50 State Quarters® Program, and features a buffalo and sunflower motif, emblematic of the State's history and natural beauty.

The Kansas commemorative quarter incorporates two of the State's most beloved symbols, the state animal and flower, the buffalo and the sunflower. Each of these two design elements is a visual reminder of our Nation's heartland. They feature prominently in the history of the territory, and both were found in abundance throughout the State in the middle of the 19th century when Kansas gained its statehood. With its release in the Fall of 2005, it is the second United States circulating coin of 2005 to carry an image of the buffalo.

In June of 2003, Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius announced the creation of the 16-member Kansas Commemorative Coin Commission to narrow the search for Kansas' quarter design to four finalists. The winning design was then recommended by the State's high school students in a statewide vote held in the Spring of 2004. In addition to the winning design, the other finalists included an image of the statue that sits atop the State Capitol – an American Indian archer aiming his bow skyward, toward the North Star, an image of a sunflower with wheat, and a design that featured a single sunflower. The Department of Treasury approved the "Buffalo and Sunflower" design on July 13, 2004.



**COMING NEXT EDITION:
West Virginia**

UNITED STATES COINS—A “PRIMER”

GOBRECHT DOLLARS

*This historical information is compiled from the U.S. Coins Series
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The United States Mint had ceased striking silver dollars in 1804. Although the denomination was the "flagship" monetary unit in U.S. coinage, demand for it came mostly from bullion depositors, and few dollar coins circulated in the beginning of the 19th century. Much of each year's mintage was either melted domestically or exported. By the 1820s and '30s however, two successive Mint directors, Samuel Moore and Robert M. Patterson, had advocated reviving dollar coinage. Although Moore obtained authorization to do so in 1831, it was not until Patterson replaced him in 1835 that preparations finally got under way.

Not since the 1792 half dimes were struck had so many Mint and other government officials taken such a keen interest in the production of a new coin. Mint Director Patterson, ambitious to make an artistic statement, hired artist Thomas Sully to make sketches of a full figure of Liberty along the lines of the allegorical figure Britannia seen on English coins. Patterson retained noted painter Titian Peale to fashion the eagle for the reverse and instructed newly hired Second Engraver Christian Gobrecht to translate the designs to metal. Gobrecht's design was a composite of both Peale's and Sully's works, as well as his own ideas. It was a masterful work and received immediate acclaim. President Jackson and his Cabinet reviewed Gobrecht's sketches on October 17, 1835 and were favorably impressed.



A naturalistic eagle in flight adorns the reverse, the bird rising "onward and upward" as Patterson ordered, a position intended to symbolize the unbounded optimism that Americans had for the nation's future. The eagle flies amid a field of 26 large and small stars, representing the thirteen original states and the thirteen admitted to the Union since 1789 (anticipating Michigan's entry).

By November 1836, all was ready for trial strikings in silver. A small number (presumably 18 pieces) of the new dollars were distributed in Philadelphia. Reaction was almost universally positive, with one exception. Patterson had ordered Gobrecht to place his name on the new coin. He did so by inscribing C. GOBRECHT F. in small letters in the field beneath the figure of Liberty the F. standing for FECIT, Latin for "He made it." Gobrecht was criticized as a "conceited German" and vilified in the local press. Patterson solved the problem by having Gobrecht move his name to the base of the figure of Liberty, visible only if one looks carefully at the coin. The eighteen or so pieces struck with his name below the base are considered patterns and are very rare.

Regular production of Gobrecht dollars began sometime in December of 1836. The 1,000 regular issue dollars of 1836 were struck at the old 1792 standard fineness of .8924. The same date was used for the 600 coins minted in March, 1837, but these pieces were produced from planchets .900 fine as authorized by the Mint Act of 1837. So close in weight, the two issues are easily differentiated by alignment: the 1837 dollars have a medallic alignment the obverse and reverse are aligned on a vertical axis, while the 1836 coins have a horizontal, or coin, alignment. All original dollars dated 1836 will show the eagle flying "onward and upward," while the restrikes made in the 1850s and '60s will have the eagle flying horizontally. The approximately 25 coins made in 1838 are considered to be patterns, with thirteen stars around the periphery of the obverse replacing the stars on the reverse fields. Only 300 dollars were struck in 1839 with Gobrecht's design, and all were intended for circulation. These coins, like the 1838 patterns, have reeded edges.

Throughout the 19th century Gobrecht dollars were very popular with collectors. In the late 1850s, demand far exceeded the available supply. Mint Director James Ross Snowden, desirous of expanding the Mint's collection of coins during his tenure, decided to take advantage of this situation. Funds were not available for outright purchase of coins, so Snowden used Mint dies to create numismatic curiosities such as the Class II and Class III 1804 dollars, "transitional" half dimes and dimes, and Gobrecht dollar restrikes. He would then trade these restrikes and fantasy coins to local collectors for rare coins lacking in the Mint collection. These restrikes were made from 1858 through the summer of 1860 and again in 1867-68. Actual numbers made are unknown, but it is estimated that the total number of restrikes may exceed the original mintage.



All Gobrecht dollars were struck in the Philadelphia Mint and all have a proof finish, even the regular circulation issues of 1836 and 1837. This is a unique phenomenon in U.S. numismatics—the only series of coins intended for circulation struck as proofs. Counterfeits are virtually unknown, perhaps because of the proof surface, which is very difficult to duplicate. The design first begins to show friction on Liberty's knees and breasts, and on the highpoint of the eagle's breast on the reverse.

With the status of a regular issue coin, Gobrecht dollars are actively pursued by type collectors. The most commonly encountered issue is the plain edge 1836-dated restrike with name on base and starry reverse. These restrikes comprise more than two-thirds of the Gobrecht dollars offered at auction in recent years, and they exist in a wide range of grades from heavily circulated to gem condition. Date collectors occasionally attempt completion of a three-piece set of coins with the dates 1836, 1838, and 1839, but very few collectors undertake the challenge of a complete set of Gobrechts. Such a set would be virtually impossible to assemble because of the several obverse/reverse mulings made by Mint Director Snowden in the late 1850s. Beginning in 1837, Gobrecht's Seated Liberty design was adopted on all U.S. silver coins from half dime through dollar. The reverse with its naturalistic eagle was dropped for the quarter, half dollar, and dollar denominations in favor of a revision of John Reich's heraldic eagle of 1807. The obverse design only slightly modified from Gobrecht's original concept was used on the dollar until 1873.

SPECIFICATIONS:

Diameter: 39 millimeters

Weight: 1836 Original: 26.96 grams.

Composition: Orig.: .8924 silver, .1076 copper, or: .900 silver, .100 copper

Edge: 1836: Plain, 1838-39: Reeded

Net Weight: Orig.: .77351 ounce silver, Others: .77344 ounce silver

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34th Annual Summer Coin Show. Green Oaks Inn. 6901 W. Freeway, I-30. Free Admission. Sat 9a-6p; Sun 9a-3p. Tables \$200. Contact Joe & Linda Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch N., Ft. Worth, TX 76180; (817) 485-1777.

Aug 28 **Temple, Texas**
Central Texas Coin and Currency Show. Travelodge Inn, 802 N. General Bruce Drive (IH-35 at Nugent exit 302). Hours:10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Dealer Tables:\$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple, Texas 76503. (254)774-7185 / (254) 760 - 8682 e-mail:info@jmventertainment.com. website: www.jmventertainment.com

September 10 **Victoria, TX** **51 Tables**
South Texas Coin Club Show. Holiday Inn, Victoria. Tables \$40. Contact Bob Bills, 416 W. 3rd, Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.

September 17 **Beaumont, TX** **21 Tables**
South Texas Coin Club Show. My Country Kitchen. Tables \$40. Contact Bob Bills, 416 W. 3rd, Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.

September 17-18 **San Angelo, TX**
THE Coin Show of the Concho Valley. LaQuinta Inn, 2307 Loop 306 at Knickerbocker. Free admission and parking. Door Prizes

Sept 18

San Antonio, Texas

San Antonio Coin and Currency Show. Radisson Inn - San Antonio Airport. 1111 NE Loop 410(Loop 410 exit Nacogdoches road). Hours:10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Dealer Tables:\$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple,Texas 76503. (254) 760 – 8682. e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com. website: www.jmventertainment.com

September 17-18

Beaumont, TX

Southeast Texas Coin & Collectibles Fall Show. Jointly Sponsored by the Beaumont, Orange, Port Arthur, & Silsbee Coin Clubs. Saturday, 9:00 to 5:00pm & Sunday, 9:00 to 4:00. Beaumont Civic Center, (Take downtown exit & follow the signs). Located at the Corner of Main & Forsythe. Admission for Adults, \$1.00. Youth Auction, 3:00pm. Drawing for Gold Coin. Contact--Dale Richey, Bourse Chairman, Box 8258, Lumberton, TX 77657. Ph. No. (409-246-2432

September 24

Tyler, Texas

East Texas Coin and Currency Show. Ramada Inn, 3310 Troup Hwy(Hwy 110 and Loop 323). Hours:10am - 4pm Admission:\$1.00. Tables:\$65.00 Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple,Texas 76503 (254)774-7185 / (254) 760 -8682

September 25

Dallas,Texas

Wyndham Garden Hotel -Dallas Park Central. 8051 LBJ Freeway (IH -635 exit Coit Road). Hours:10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Dealer Tables:\$65.00 Contact: JMV Entertainment, Po Box 151, Temple,Texas 76503 (254) 774-7185 / (254) 760 – 8682.e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com.

October 1

McKinney, TX

32 Tables

Semi-Annual Coin Show. Sponsored by the Collin County Coin Club. Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Hwy 75 (Hwy 75 North Exit #40B). A: Free. Tables \$50/\$60. Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070. Tel: (972) 727-1566 email—grollins@ev1.net or club website www.collincoinclub.com

October 7-9

Grapevine, TX

70 Tables

TEXAS COIN SHOW at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, TX 76051 (Hwy 114, Main Street, right on Vine). Fri-2p-6p; Sat-9a-6p; Sun-9a-3p. Free parking, police security & \$2 admission. GOLD PRIZES! Contact Ginger & David Pike, Box 126, Tom Bean, TX 75489. Phone/fax (214)-535-3465. email-TexasCoinShows@direcway.com.

October 9

Corpus Christi,Texas

Corpus Christi Coin and Currency Show. Radisson Hotel - Corpus Christi Beach, 3200 Surfside (Near the USS Lexington Museum). Hours:10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Dealer Tables\: \$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple,Texas 76503. (254) 774 - 7185 / (254) 760 - 8682

October 15	Round Rock, Texas	40 Tables
Central Texas Coin Show. Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 & Highway 79, Exit 253, Round Rock, Texas 78664. Contact Francis Smith (512) 339-2923 spsmith@sbeglobal.net		
October 16	Houston, Texas	
Houston Coin and Currency Show. Hilton Houston Southwest, 6780 Southwest Freeway (US HWY 59 exit Hillcroft). Hours: 10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Dealer Tables:\$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment Box 151, Temple, Texas 76503. (254)774-7185 / (254) 760 - 8682. e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com . website: www.jmventertainment.com		
November 5-6	Ft. Worth, TX	
Fort Worth Coin Club Spring Show. Lockheed Recreation Center. 3400 South Bryant Irvin Road. Admission \$3. Free Parking. Door Prizes. Contact Gary Andrews (817) 444-5500 or email apetexas@aol.com .		
November 13	El Paso, Texas	
El Paso Coin and Currency Show. Hilton Inn - El Paso Airport, 2027 Airway Blvd (IH -10 at Airway). Hours: 10am -4pm Admission:\$ 1.00. Tables:\$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple, Texas 76503. (254) 774-7185 / 254 - 760 -8682. e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com . website: www.jmventertainment.com		
November 19	San Antonio, Texas	60 Tables
Alamo Coin ShowLive Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. at Loop 1604, just off IH-35 N. 9:30 AM-5:30 PM. Children's Auction at 2:30. A:\$1 Free Parking, Hourly Door Prizes. Tables \$100. Contact: Harold Eiserloh, Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201 E-mail: clips@ev1.net		
November 20	Temple, Texas	
Central Texas Coin and Currency Show. Travelodge Inn, 802 N. General Bruce Drive (IH-35 at Nugent exit 302). Hours: 10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Dealer Tables:\$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple, Texas 76503. (254)774-7185 / (254) 760 - 8682 e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com . website: www.jmventertainment.com		
December 3	Tuleta, TX	5 Tables
South Texas Coin Club Show. Historic Park Hotel. Tables \$40. Contact Bob Bills, 416 W. 3 rd , Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.		
December 10	Laredo, Texas	
Laredo Coin and Currency Show La Posada Inn and Suites, 200 Zaragoza Hours 10am-4pm Admission \$1.00 Tables \$65.00 Contact JMV Entertainment, Po Box 151, Temple, Texas 76503 (254) 774 -7185 / (254) 760 - 8682 e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com website www.jmventertainment.com		

December 10-11

Ft. Worth, Texas

2005 Cowtown Christmas Coin Show. Lockheed Recreation Center. 3400 S. Bryant Irvin Rd. A: \$3. Free Parking. Contact Gary Andrews (817) 444-4813 or email apctexas.aol.com

December 11

San Antonio, Texas

San Antonio Coin and Currency Show. Radisson Inn - San Antonio Airport. 1111 NE Loop 410(Loop 410 exit Nacogdoches road). Hours:10am-4pm Admission:\$1.00. Tables:\$65.00. Contact: JMV Entertainment, Box 151, Temple, Texas 76503. (254)774-7185 / (254) 760 - 8682. e-mail: info@jmventertainment.com. website: www.jmventertainment.com

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CALENDAR of EVENTS--2006

February 4

Pharr, TX

50 Tables

18th Annual Coin & Collectible Show, sponsored by the Hidalgo Coin Club of the Rio Grande Valley. Pharr Civic Center, 1011 W. Kelly. Free Admission and Door Prizes. Contact: Don Higgins, Bourse Chairman, P.O. Box 720785, McAllen, TX 78504. (956) 688-6922.

February 17-19;

El Paso, TX

50 Tables

International Coin Club of El Paso's 43rd Annual Show. El Maida Temple, 6331 Alabama Street, El Paso, 1pm - 7pm 2/17, 9am - 6pm 2/18, 9am - 4pm 2/19. Free admission. New large location. Contact John Grost at JohnGrost@aol.com or 915-533-6001 for further information.

February 25

San Antonio, Texas

35 Tables

San Antonio Coin and Collectible Show. Saturday 9a-5p. Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. NE of San Antonio at IH35N and Loop 1604. Free Admission, free parking and door prizes. Sponsored by the Gateway Coin Club, Inc. Contact Raymond Tate, Box 12964, San Antonio, Tx 78212-0964. Ph—(210)271-3429. email—rtate@msn.com

March 4	Beeville, TX	21 Tables
South Texas Coin Club Show. My Country Kitchen. Tables \$40. Contact Bob Bills, 416 W. 3 rd , Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.		
March 11-12	Ft. Worth, TX	
Fort Worth Coin Club Spring Show. Lockheed Recreation Center. 3400 South Bryant Irvin Road. Admission \$3. Free Parking. Door Prizes. Contact Jeff Cecil (817) 909-5634 or email anna.cecil@att.net .		
May 12-14	Ft. Worth, TX	
Texas Numismatic Association annual convention and show. Will Rogers Convention Center. Contact: Jim Fitzgerald at 817-847-5205 or at jamesfitz@prodigy.net		
May 27	San Antonio, Texas	35 Tables
San Antonio Coin and Collectible Show. Saturday 9a-5p. Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. NE of San Antonio at IH35N and Loop 1604. Free Admission. free parking and door prizes. Sponsored by the Gateway Coin Club, Inc. Contact Raymond Tate, Box 12964, San Antonio, Tx 78212-0964. Ph—(210)271-3429. email— retate@msn.com		
August 25-27	Richardson, Texas	85 Tables
19 th Annual Plano Coin Show. Richardson Civic Center, 411 West Arapaho Rd (SW corner Central Expwy & Arapaho Rd). Free admission and parking. Tables \$185. Contact Mark R. Schroder, Lone Star Mint, Inc. 805 East 15 th St, Plano, TX 75074-5805. (972) 424-1405. email planoshow@lsmint.com		
September 9	San Antonio, Texas	60 Tables
Alamo Coin Show. Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. at Loop 1604, just off IH-35 N. 9:30 AM-5:30 PM. Children's Auction at 2:30. A:\$1. Free Parking. Hourly Door Prizes. Tables \$95. Contact: Harold Eiserloh, Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201 E-mail: clips@evl.net		
November 11	San Antonio, Texas	60 Tables
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HAPPENINGS

EDITOR'S NOTE--Send me your club reports, preferably by email and get your club's activities noticed and recognized!

DISTRICT I

Fort Worth Coin Club (Internet Report)

President Ed Lasko announced that the July meeting will be the club's summer party. Jeff and Anna Cecil will provide hot dogs, burgers, and possibly other meat dishes. The club members are requested to bring side dishes or desserts. For the first time in two years, the July meeting will NOT be affected by either the July 4th holiday or the Concert in the Gardens. The concerts end the day before our July 7th regularly scheduled meeting. The July meeting is going to be our traditional July Picnic Meeting. Merle Owens gave a report from the Education Committee about possible additional venues the club might pursue given its favorable financial position. Suggested ideas included a possible overnight bus trip to the Numismatic Museum in New Orleans, a shorter trip: SMU will offer coin displays in the near future, an ANA workshop here, under the direction of an ANA instructor. Bob Millard introduced Mike Lani, owner of the Fort Worth Coin Company, who was the evening's guest speaker. He discussed coin collecting in general and invited questions from the audience. In an interesting aside, Mike noted that a \$20 gold coin could buy a suit a century ago – and can still buy a suit today. Mike answered many questions concerning many phases of coin collecting as well as the coin business.

Submitted by Ed Lasko

Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club (Internet Report)

The June 16, 2005 club meeting began about 6:45pm. Attendance: 30, 2 of which were visitors. Our numbers were down because the rescheduled meeting for June was in conflict with the Dallas Coin Club meeting. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted as delivered by email from the secretary. A discussion about the club's bylaws was held. Robert confirmed that most members had received an e-mail copy of the proposed bylaws. To facilitate discussion, Robert also passed out hardcopy drafts at the meeting. After a few comments and some slight recommended changes, the bylaws were approved. It was acknowledged that the bylaws would have to be approved again once the not-for-profit corporation was formed. Robert disclosed that Anaconda Coins had donated a MS65 1897 Morgan dollar to the club. After some discussion, it was decided that a special raffle for this

item (valued at \$190) would be held at a future meeting. It was reported that Dave Warner had seen a Houston coin club member wearing a distinctive coin club shirt. Discussion ensued about how this would help promote our club and give better influence amongst the dealer community should we decide to pursue a similar shirt for our club. It was stated that such a quality shirt would run around \$25. A show of hands indicated that there was general interest and consensus in pursuing this idea. Richard and Robert gave our educational program which centered around the Winged Liberty (Mercury) dime. Richard dealt with the history and business strikes, whereas Robert talked about proof strikes. Each had fascinating examples which they passed around for all to enjoy. The usual raffle and auction were held after the educational program.

The July 14, 2005 club meeting began about 7:15pm with 39 in attendance. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted as delivered by email from the secretary. Robert disclosed that the MS65 NGC TONED 1897 Morgan dollar that Anaconda Coins donated will be raffled with tickets at \$1 each. Total tickets will equal 200 and the drawing will be made when the tickets are sold. Tickets should go on sale at the August meeting!!! Merle discussed the concept and design of the shirts with the club's logo. Shirts should sell for about \$23. Robert opened the floor for volunteers to be on the nominating committee. After the rush of volunteers, Robert selected Frank Schick, David Werner, Jeff Cecil, Kenny Smith, and Jim Smith. Each of the members graciously accepted appointment to the nominating committee. Elections will be held in October. Robert reported on his visit to Colorado Springs and the coin show held there. He indicated that the show was pretty decent. The ANA had a display on errors and many of the interesting coins from their collection including colonial coinage. He also finished his Mercury dime proof set by acquiring the key 1936. Stewart showed his addition to his Morgan registry set. Bob Foster discussed the Gobrecht journal and offered a couple of copies. Mike Grant gave our educational program which centered around counterfeit coins and paper money. He showed a number of fascinating examples which they passed around for all to enjoy. Hopefully all examples were accounted for at the end of the night. The usual door prizes, raffle, and auction were held after the educational program.

Faithfully submitted: Jack Gilbert, Secretary

DISTRICT V

Collin County Coin Club (Internet Report)

The May meeting of the Collin County Coin Club was held at the Steak Kountry restaurant in McKinney with 27 members in attendance. Gary Rollins ran a 61-lot auction. Door prize winners were Ken Hart, Kim Groves and John McGraw. Lotto winners were Kent Halland, David Jackson and David Linacre. Congratulations to the winners! Next month we will hold officer elections for the 2005 - 2006 membership year. Kim

Groves, Becky, and Victor Elizondo attended the 2005 Scout Show in Dallas in May and gave away 700 wheat pennies and two rolls of nickels. There will be a joint meeting of the Collin County and Dallas Coin Clubs on June 30. The location is yet to be determined and further details will follow. The June meeting of the Collin County Coin Club was held at the Steak Kountry restaurant in McKinney with 25 members in attendance. Gary Rollins ran a 72-lot auction. Door prize winners were Dave Adams, Kim Groves, Denise Hamner and Dave Harman. Lotto winners were Chester Shippy, Kent Halland and James Terry. Congratulations to the winners! Officer elections were held at the June meeting the officers for the 2005 - 2006 membership year are: President: Kim Groves; 1st Vice President: John McWilliams; 2nd Vice President: Gary Rollins; Treasurer: Dave Harman; Recording Secretary: James Terry; Corresponding Secretary: Becky Elizondo. A motion was made, seconded and carried at the May meeting to dissolve the Librarian position.

Dallas Coin Club (Internet Report)

Treasurer David Swann called the meeting to order. There were 14 members in attendance. The meeting began with Larry Herrera's program on the Charlotte Mint which was in existence from 1838 until 1861. Larry highly recommended Doug Winters' book Gold Coins of the Charlotte Mint 1838-1861 as the definitive reference book on the subject. Charlotte, North Carolina was named after Queen Charlotte. The mint is now the Mint Museum of Art although it is in a different location. There is a U.S. Post Office in the location that the Charlotte Mint formerly resided at. The facility was used by the Red Cross during World War I and was also the Women's Club at one time. Larry brought the Charlotte type set that he recently completed. It took Larry 3 ½ years to complete both his Charlotte and Dahlonega type sets. Vice President Stewart Huckaby resumed the meeting and a motion was made and accepted to accept the April meeting minutes as they were distributed. Treasurer David Swann announced that there are 46 regular members for 2005 along with 2 junior members. The joint meeting with the Collin County Coin Club will take place on June 30th at a location TBA (the location will likely be in Richardson). TNA representative Larry Herrera announced the results of the TNA election. The results of the contested races were as follow: Ginger Pike was elected the 2nd Vice President and Stewart Huckaby was elected as the Treasurer. The TNA library will be changing their focus to videos and DVDs to loan to clubs, etc. rather than books. Jim Fitzgerald will continue in his role next year and the show will be held in the same location. Hal Cherry won a 1st Place award in the US Paper Money category for his exhibit at the TNA show on Republic of Texas currency. Larry Herrera won Best of Show and 1st Place in the US Coins category for his exhibit "Coins of the Charlotte and Dahlonega Mints." Larry Herrera will chair the "Coins for A's" committee. As part of old business, John Post announced that he did not

have a contract with the Clarion and had been approached by the Harvey Hotel. Quite a few dealers have made a commitment to the Beaumont show and there are virtually no other weekends available in 2005 for a show. The consensus was to wait until 2006 for the next club show. It was determined that we should proceed with a show on Easter weekend 2006 which would be April 14th and 15th. John Post will work to obtain a contract with LaQuinta for that weekend. During new business, David Keyser announced that his apartment had been burglarized and that approximately 500 pieces of world paper money in holders were taken along with world coins that were in 2x2 holders. If anyone is approached about purchasing items that may have been stolen from David, he has requested that as little as possible be offered to acquire them and that he then be contacted. There will likely be no program or perhaps just a short one. Several members brought items for show and tell. David Keyser brought a commemorative cachet postmarked June 8, 1939 commemorating the British Royal Visit to the United States. There was a 4 1/2 cent White House postage stamp on the card and the Royal family was pictured. Mike Grant brought a real Indian Head penny that someone had altered by putting a diamond in the eye of the Indian. Hal Cherry brought a copy of the September 1928 Numismatist that was donated to the club by Benny Bolin. It contains information concerning the formation of the club, the members and meeting agendas. *Special thanks to Benny Bolin for the donation!* Mark Jones continued with his show and tell of slabbed U.S. Commemoratives. His May showings consisted of the 1924 Hugenot Tercentenary, 1946 Iowa Centennial, 1925 Lexington-Concord Sesquicentennial, 1918 Lincoln, 1936 Long Island Tercentenary and the 1936 Lynchburg, Virginia Sesquicentennial. Mark has been collecting the Commemoratives since 2001 and is only lacking 8 or 9 coins. 23 auction items were sold for a total of \$82.50.

Vice President Stewart Huckaby called the June meeting to order. There were 17 members and 2 guests in attendance. Secretary Kathy Lawrence had no news to report. A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting and accept them as previously printed and distributed. Treasurer David Swann reported that the down payment had been made with the hotel for the Easter weekend 2006 show. An announcement was made by Vice President Stewart Huckaby concerning the 4th Annual Joint Meeting with the Collin County Coin Club scheduled to take place on Thursday, June 30th at Herrera's Restaurant at the SW corner of Beltline and US-75 Central Expressway in Richardson. Those planning to eat were asked to arrive at approximately 6:00 p.m. The meeting was to begin at 7:00 p.m. and will consist of introductions and the auction. It was mentioned that there might be a limit of 10 auction items per person. The Collin County Coin Club voted to authorize \$75 for raffle items. A motion was made and accepted for the Dallas Coin Club to also authorize \$75 for raffle items. The top raffle item will be gold. Stewart also announced that the July speaker will be Gordon Robinson. Gordon will present part II of his presentation on odd & curious

money. Tony Hales will be the speaker at the August meeting- the topic will be announced at a later date. Dr. James Wiles will speak at the September or October meeting on the topic of minting errors. Mike Grant stated that the Easter weekend 2006 coin show with the Mid-Cities Coin Club at the LaQuinta should bring a net profit of approximately \$600-\$700 total. The show will be held on Friday, April 15th and Saturday, April 16th. Mike Grant presented a program on counterfeit and other interesting numismatic items he has acquired for his collection. One of the items was an actual \$1 bill that had been shrunk and was also thicker as a result. Other items included an "ancient" coin that had a chicken on one side, a piece of eight made of lead, a \$1 trade dollar from Great Britain made of pot metal, several \$2 1/2 Indians that were almost perfect but their weight was not accurate, multiple two-headed coins that magic shops often sell, an "error" cent that was actually 4 coins hammered together into one piece, a Canadian large cent that ridges had been added to, a 1944 counterfeit nickel (the man who made it went to jail), a gambling token that looked like a Standing Liberty coin- Libertad had been added to the coin above the figure and the other side was blank (Mike paid \$20 for that item- it is relatively scarce), a "potty" dollar- a Seated Liberty Bust Half that all of the clothing had been removed from Lady Liberty on, and various other coins made of pot metal, etc. Mike also had a 1909 V.D.B. that an S had been added to. The coin had looked good to Mike under a microscope, but when Mike sent it in to a grading service they discovered that it was a counterfeit. Several members brought items for Show and Tell. Larry Herrera brought two very old and interesting counterfeit detectors that he recently purchased on eBay. The detectors had measurements for diameters and balance. One of the counterfeit detectors was a Dial Coin Tester that showed a patent date of April 30 '78 and a Gold & Silver Counterfeit Coin Detector patented on February 27, 1877. Mark Jones brought more of the slabbed commemorative coins from his collection. The coins presented in June included the 1920 Maine Centennial, 1934 Maryland Tercentenary, 1938 New Rochelle that observed the founding of New Rochelle in 1688, the 1936 Norfolk Bicentennial, the 1926 Oregon, and the 1921 Pilgrim Tercentenary (which is one of the 2 Pilgrims).

Report from the 4th Annual Joint Meeting with the Collin County Coin Club, June 30, 2005. 16 members from the Dallas Coin Club attended the meeting. There were approximately 26 members of the Collin County Coin Club in attendance. The meeting consisted of introductions, an auction, door prizes, and a raffle. During the introductions, each person was asked to state what type of coin they would love to hear that a hoard had been found of. Door prizes were won by many Dallas Coin Club members. 6 out of the 7 raffle prizes were won by Dallas Coin Club members. Stewart Huckabee won the gold coin. The other Dallas winners were Marvin Menaker, Frank Clark (he won 3 of the raffle prizes!) and David Keyscr.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Lawrence, Secretary

DISTRICT VI

Bellaire Coin Club, (Internet Report)

There were 33 members and guests at the May 2nd meeting. It was Sebastian Frommhold's first official meeting as president. Sebastian adjusted the running of the meeting, with past notes, and Tim Conway. Sebastian also wanted to have time for Ricardo DeLeon's program about Cinco de Mayo. The program presented on a computer with a projector. The club's micro viewer can be used with this projector. Sebastian noted on May 7; the club will attend the "Gold" exhibit at the Museum Of Natural Science. The exhibit will be at the museum until August 7. Ed Stephens gave a report on the National Coin Week show, no complaints or thefts. Ricardo DeLeon presented the program about the real story of Cinco de Mayo.

There were 35 members and guests at the May 16th meeting. One guest, a Boy Scout wanted to ask Jim Bevill, about receiving the coin collecting merit badge. Sebastian Frommhold gave a report about the group attending the "Gold" exhibit, May 7. Jim gave a report on the past TNA's show in Fort Worth. Jim announced that he has become TNA's first vice president. Jim announced that Ed Stephens has become TNA's governor district 6. Jim noted that the TNA is providing a youth scholarship to attend the American Numismatic Association's summer seminar. Jim stated that the TNA is reducing the book library. Latest information is being saved as DVD and VHS tape formats. Sebastian Frommhold discussed the future programs. Ed Stephens noted that someone donated a low mintage British Slovenian. The coin was auctioned off for \$134. The program for tonight was show and tell. A short program was presented by Tony DeLong, Michael Doyle, Sebastian Frommhold, and Ed Stephens.

There were 33 members and guests at the June 6th meeting. Sebastian Frommhold also wanted to have time for Alvin Stern's program "Only Five 1913 V Nickels? Is the story really over?" Tom Berman and Sebastian Frommhold gave a report about the August show. They noted most of the August show bills were pre-paid during National Coin Week. Tim Cooper told more stories about the National Coin Week snack bar. Sebastian also noted other news about the coin shows. Michael Woford noted that June 7, will another lunch bunch get together. Meet other area club numismatists. Alvin Stern presented the program "Only Five 1913 V Nickels? Is the story really over?" There were 31 members and guests at the June 20th meeting. Sebastian Frommhold discussed a summary of the Bellaire coin show. He noted that the meeting on July 4th Independence Day has been cancelled. He also stated that on July 18, the club would have its "Non-lick and stick" party for setting up the reminder cards for the Bellaire coin show. Ed Stephens announced that the club still needs items for the children's auctions. Sebastian Frommhold presented the program, "Twenty Questions, Numismatic Trivia Game."

Submitted by: Michael Woford--Bellaire Newsletter Editor

DISTRICT VII

Alamo Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

The May 12th meeting of the Alamo Coin Club had 46 members in attendance. A member roundtable led off the meeting where members showed a wide variety of numismatic items, including an 1876 proof 20-cent piece that had been cleaned!; some foreign coins; a 1946 Mercury Dime graded MS66 by PCGS; and some U.S. currency. An educational program on Collecting U.S. 19th Century Type Coins was given with tips on planning the collecting strategy, storage of the coins and limitations of the collection due to price. After the program, an auction closed the meeting.

The May 26th meeting had 37 members in attendance. It was announced that the club had received the TNA's Outstanding Chapter Award at the recent TNA convention. After the member roundtable, raffle prizes were awarded and an auction closed the meeting.

Gateway Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

The May 5th meeting of the Gateway Coin Club opened with 32 members and 1 visitor present. The paid-up member attendance prize, a 2005 Silver Eagle coin, was given to junior member Ian Valley. The roundtable was led by Clifton Valley showing some foreign coins. Also shown were a one-pound silver U.S. Eagle, multiple medals and tokens and an early Civil War "Knickerbocker" token. After the raffle, a varied auction closed the mtg.

The May 19th meeting had 35 members and 1 guest present. Due to an unfortunate absence of the educational program presenter, none was held. The member roundtable was held featuring a 2 ½ gold peso with an odd die crack; medals and tokens and a set of six Whitman copies of Biblical coins. A mini-auction closed the meeting.

The June 2nd meeting opened with 24 members in attendance. The attendance prize, a 2005 one-ounce Silver Eagle was given to Robert Simpson. Karla Galindo announced that the club's show was ranked in the top three in the state in which dealers wanted to have a table. The evening's roundtable had a nice variety of numismatic items including a 1764 Dutch Gulden; an 1844 Seated half-dollar; a new 20-peso note from Mexico with a plastic anti-counterfeiting insert and other interesting items. The meeting ended with a mini-auction conducted by Bobby Rogers.

The June 16th meeting had 24 members and 2 guests in attendance. The attendance prize, a 2005 Silver Eagle was given to Bill Hankins. After the member roundtable, Clifton Valley gave the program on "*Indian Coinage: an Overview.*" He gave a brief narrative of the country's history and showed numerous examples of different coins before holding a Q&A session. A mini-auction closed the meeting.

DISTRICT IX

Lamb County Coin Club (Internet Report)

The May meeting was called to order at 7:30 by president Ernist Mills. There were 9 members present. This meeting was our yearly auction. There were a variety of items donated to the auction by the members to raise money for the club to operate for the next year. Ernist Mills did a great job as the auctioneer. Everyone had a good time bidding on various coins and collectibles. A round table followed and the meeting was adjourned.

The June meeting was called to order by president Ernist Mills with 9 members present. Harvey Miller read the minuets of the previous meeting and they were approved. Larry Sanderson gave a treasures report. There was a discussion about the ANA elections each candidate was disused and the club voted on. Lamonte Pitzer announced that he had received a certificate of membership for 40 years with the ANA. Quite an accomplishment! Congratulations Lamonte! A round table discussion followed with everyone telling of the events from the last month.

South Plains Coin Club (Internet Report)

The May meeting was called to order by President Arlin Hilton with 18 members present. Ed Chauncy gave the treasurers report. Gober Pitzer gave a TNA report and talked about the Coins for A's program and the youth auctions at the TNA Convention in Ft. Worth. He talked about how important these programs are and mentioned the need for the local clubs to support these programs. Herman Jacobs made the motion that the club donate 100.00 to the coins for A's program. The motion passed and Ed will send them a check. The club received a thank You card from the Children home for our donation of 3300.00 from our Christmas Auction. After a short break Ed Chauncy conducted the auction and the meeting was adjourned.

The June meeting was called to order by Vice president Lynn Parker. There were 27 members and one junior member present. The minuets were read by Secretary Tammy Branham and Ed Chauncy gave the treasurers report. Lynn reported that she had sent a certified letter to the persons that stopped payment on there table fees at our show. There was some discussion about this and how it could be avoided in the future. Lynn Announced that due to the longer summer days and daylight savings time that we were moving the meeting time back to 7:00. Next we talked about our yearly hot dog supper at the July meeting. Everyone signed up to bring a covered dish or food item for that event. Marty Parker gave an interesting program on coins and currency of Mexico. They had recently been on vacation in Mexico and Marty talked about the exchange rate and the value of Mexico money compared to US money. Ed Chauncy conducted the auction and the meeting was adjourned.

DISTRICT XI

Golden Spread Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

The May meeting had ten members present. After the minutes and treasurer's report were approved, a report on the 50th anniversary party was given. A report on the club show was given including that 56 of the 83 tables have been sold. Show and tell was held with members showing Bicentennial coins, a 20th century type set of U.S. coins, a star \$100 note along with other numismatic goodies. After prizes were awarded, the meeting was adjourned.

The June meeting had 18 members in attendance. After the minutes and treasurer's reports were approved, reports from the anniversary party committee, show committee and the TNA meeting were given. Before adjourning, show and tell by the members was held and had many items shown including a denomination set of star notes, TNA medals, foreign coins and a brass railroad token.

DISTRICT X

International Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

David called May 5th meeting to order at 7:30 pm with one guest, Ruth L. and 39 of our club members signed in. The minutes from the April 21st meeting were read. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes, with no additions or corrections needed. Everyone was reminded of the annual picnic's date, place and time. The cost for guest brought is to be \$5.00 each. Patrick reported that he is going to the TNA show this coming weekend, and that plans are moving forward for the 2006 show to be held here in El Paso. John passed out a paper survey for input from the members concerning programs at our second meetings. The monthly auction was conducted this meeting by Chuck, Patrick, Harold, Don and David. Our auctioneers did a superb job. David adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

David called the May 19th meeting to order at 7:30 pm with 25 club members signed in. The minutes from the May 5th meeting were read with no additions or corrections. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. David reminded all again about the upcoming picnic. Certificates won for their exhibits in our February show were given to Patrick C., Joe M., and Brent H. (not present). John G. asked that the survey forms he had given out be filled in and returned to him to help him with upcoming meetings. John also announced that starting with our next meeting, there will be "Show and Tell", so be prepared if he ask you to participate. The 2005-2006 Officers elected by ballot are as follows: President – John G., Vice-President – Don T., Secretary Dottie T., Treasurer – Roger W., and Sgt at Arms – James M. The Board of Governors for this same period will consist of the elected officers as well as Art L., Willie T., Jim T. and Harold S. John G. gave a very interesting slide show on some of his collections: coins, paper money, tokens and medals. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

John Grost called the June meeting to order at 7:30 pm with four guest and numerous members signed in. Dottie Tomko read the minutes from the June 2nd meeting with no additions or corrections. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. David Chan gave a report on our picnic. Thanks to David for his hard work. Also thanks to James Montanez for his donation of a coin for the picnic raffle. David says thanks to all that helped him cook, and that \$219.15 was spent on the picnic. John Grost gave the members present a brief review of some of the items that was covered at our Board meeting. George Patt reported the latest numismatic news. He also reported that Bill and Helen Boutwell will celebrate their 56th Anniversary on June 18th. Congratulations. Chuck Steward presented a program on his collection of Modern Olympic dollars. Those giving a Show & Tell this meeting were Bill White, Patrick Curran, John Grost and Art LaCapria. John adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

DISTRICT XIII

Wichita Falls Coin Club (Internet Report)

The regular May meeting was held on 26 May. There were 12 members present and one visitor. Those present discussed the annual coin show that was held in April and talked about ideas to make the show even better. There were less dealers at the show this year than in the past due to the Grapevine show being scheduled on the same weekend. Under new business, the group discussed reviving the club auction. Everyone was asked to bring coins and stamps to put on the auction at the June meeting. Mr. Ray Whyborn, outgoing governor of district 13, explained the workings of the TNA and discussed the duties and responsibilities of the district governor. Ray then officially "installed" his replacement, Mr. E. B. (Rob) Robinson, Jr. as the new district governor. The club members thanked Ray for his many years of service as our district governor. For the program, Rob gave a discussion of the "world and numismatic happenings of the year 1807."

The regular June meeting was held on 23 June. There were 8 members and no visitors present. Mr. Connolly O'Brien, club treasurer, shared the financial results of our April coin show. Ray Whyborn, outgoing TNA Governor for District XIII, presented the new governor, E. B. (Rob) Robinson with the "official red TNA vest that was to be worn by each governor at official TNA meetings and conferences. Ray had forgotten to bring the vest the previous month when he had installed Rob as the new governor. For a program, Rob gave a fun and entertaining coin quiz that he had developed. The meeting ended with a great auction of stamps and coins with Rob serving as auctioneer.

Submitted by E. B. Robinson, Jr., District XIII Governor

Greenbelt Coin Club (Internet Report)

The regular meeting for June was held on Jun 6. There were 12 members in attendance. Mr. Gene Wheeler reported on the Long Beach coin show. He indicated that it was a very soft show with low attendance from the public. He reported that, from a dealer point of view, key date coins were getting harder and harder to buy. There was a lot of strong money for better coins, however. Gene reported that the TNA and Denver shows were both very strong shows. Charles Linn presented an interesting program about Lincoln Cents. He discussed the more expensive dates – the 1909-S VDB, 1914-D, 1922 No D, and the 1955 double die. He also discussed the steel cents of 1943, the 1960 large and small dates, and the change of content of the cent in 1982 to zinc. An 14-lot auction was conducted by Ollie Garrett.

Submitted by: E. B. Robinson, Jr., District XIII Governor

DISTRICT XV

Silsbee Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

The May meeting was called to order by President Paula Simmons. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. There were 11 members present. Treasury report was given by Barbara Williams and was approved. A thank you note from Remy Bourne for nominating him to the ANA Board of Governors was read. Jerry wants everyone to bring suggestions for improving the Fall coin show and on improving our coin club each on a separate sheet of paper to next meeting. Jerry reported on the TNA annual show in Ft. Worth last weekend. Emery reported on the Central States show in Kansas City, Missouri. Walt reported that the US Mint will let loose the 'waffle coins'. Emery gave an interesting program on the 2 most important coins minted in USA. The first one is the 1933 Gold double eagle. All the minted coins were recalled by the government, but one was not returned. It surfaced later and sold in 2002 for 7.6 million dollars. The second coin is a Brasher Doubloon. It was the first coin struck in the USA. It is a gold coin with no dollar amount on it and only seven are known. Best grade is MS 45. The Coin Auction was then conducted by Jerry and Emery and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Dale Cummings, Secretary

DISTRICT XVII

Waco Coin Club (Club Newsletter)

The May meeting of the Waco Coin Club had 18 members and guests present. After the minutes and treasurer's reports were approved, a report on the club show was given. The club voted to renew its' membership in the ANA. The club officer ballot was completed. After a Q&A session which included a discussion related to a \$100 counterfeit bill in the city was held, show and tell closed the meeting.

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